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## A BIG BLAZE. THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY LOSE THEIR SHEDS. One Man Badly Burned.

The ominous clanging of the fire alarm bell on Thursday afternoon startled those engaged in tree planting. The wind was blowing a strong gale from the southwest at the time and property owners dreaded consequences of a fire starting in the heart of the city. The fire was easily located by the dense clouds of smoke such as are only thrown off from a quantity of coal oil burning. An investigation proved that the most easterly of the two oil sheds situated on the north side of the C. P. R. track near the freight sheds had been set on fire by a spark from a passing freight train engine. The two sheds and their contents as well as a small dwelling house to the north of them were entirely destroyed. The flames from the burning oil fanned by the strong wind, were very fierce and at one time threatened to clean out the whole of the flats to the north and east. Mr. Hanbury's planing mill was more than once on fire while Mr. Christie's saw mill still farther to the north was in great danger. A bucket brigade was formed and all sparks from the burning buildings were quickly extinguished. The houses occupied by Baliff Wilcocks and Mr. Nelson were also much endangered but fortunately there was a plentiful supply of water and willing hands to keep them well saturated.

During the burning of the first shed some young men entered the second one to try and roll out some of the oil barrels. All at once the gas that had been generated by the heat from the burning shed took fire and one young man named George Oetou was caught in the flames. He succeeded in getting out of the building but not before he was dreadfully burned about the head and hands. Those who saw him come out of the building enveloped in flames did not expect to see him able to rise to his feet after he fell at the outside of the building. Dr. Fleming attended to the poor fellow's wounds and has great hopes of saving his life.

The loss on the buildings burned is estimated at \$2,000. No insurance.

## THE EXPERIMENTAL FARM. A Large Amount of Work Being Done and Good Results Promised.

A visit to the experimental farm at the present time should convince anyone that the Dominion government is deserving of the greatest credit for having established one of such in each of the provinces. Our own local one has been the means of doing a great deal of good already, although it is but three years since it was established. We will give a few of the benefits that have already accrued to the farmers of Manitoba from its establishment. We have alluded in these columns again and again to the great assistance, the popular superintendent, Mr. Bedford, has rendered in establishing "Farmers' Institutes" throughout the province and the valuable information that he was able to lay before the members of these. We have alluded in these columns again and again to the great assistance, the popular superintendent, Mr. Bedford, has rendered in establishing "Farmers' Institutes" throughout the province and the valuable information that he was able to lay before the members of these.

ing on the plains, but what have had to lament the absence of a real good grass for a permanent pasture. Well, this question has been solved. Mr. Bedford at an early day after taking hold of the farm, made up his mind that there were few if any of the cultivated, or more properly speaking, imported, grasses that would be of any use. He therefore selected the most desirable of our native grasses and experimented with them. The result is amazing. There are patches of our native grasses on the farm that have already a good thick sward with large succulent leaves fully six inches high. Seldom if ever has the writer seen a better or ranker growing sward on the 24th of May than he saw on the farm on the 11th inst. Of course these grasses were sown on well-prepared ground and well looked after, and there is no use in anyone attempting to have a good pasture or a good meadow without going to some trouble in thoroughly preparing the land.

While trying the native the superintendent has not neglected the cultivated varieties but with very little success save in the case of a few of the "fescues," the orchard and white Dutch clover. Even these when compared with the sturdy natives are so small and insignificant that one seeing them side by side would consider the best of them a failure.

The boon to the farmers of this province by these experiments cannot be over estimated, as it will be the means of enabling every farmer to have a good pasture field and plenty of hay, two things necessary to increase the beef and dairy productions of our province.

## BASEBALL MATCH. Mechanics vs. All-Comers on Arbor Day.

Quite a number of our citizens witnessed the first real match of baseball for the season on last Thursday afternoon. There was some good playing on the part of each of the contending nines and there was some bad playing as is evidenced by the number of runs made by each. The boys have not yet got down to work but when they do we expect to see some tall playing as there were some excellent batsmen on the grounds. The following were the players in the game:

MECHANICS.			
Purcell,	p. and r.f.	Taylor,	p. and 2b.
Cunningham,	1b.	Sisson,	c. and 1f.
Lang,	1b.	Jukes,	1b.
Bartlett,	2b.	O'Brien,	2b.
Smith,	3b.	Matheson,	3b.
Isard,	r.f. and p.	Lipsett,	r.f.
Zink,	l.f.	Hunt,	c.f.
Robinson,	c.f.	Park,	l.f. and c.
Ingraham,	s.s.	Oliver,	s.s.

The same resulted in a tie of 22 to 22.

## MARKETS.

Wheat—Some more coming in than there was last week. Farmers being through seeding wheat, now know what they have got to spare and are running in their surplus. Prices are not so strong in the local market as they were last week, although there has been an upward tendency in outside ones. Prices in this week ranged from 78 cts to 84 cts a bushel for samples going No. 2 hard.

Oats—Still keep up their price although it is asserted that there are over 30,000 bushels in store here. From 35c to 38c has been the ruling price.

Barley—Is now bringing from 35 cts to 40 cts a bushel.

## CATTLE AND MEAT.

There has been a keen demand for real well-fatted animals and for such good prices are paid. There are, however, too many people who think that if an animal shows the least sign of thrift that it is fit for the butcher. Parties bringing in such find poor sale for the animals at extremely low prices and are apt to find fault with the buyers, who would willingly pay a decent price for the animal if it was in good condition.

Sheep are still scarce and our last week's quotations are fully maintained.

Those having good young lambs to dispose of would find no trouble in getting \$4.00 apiece for them.

Live Hogs—Small and of good quality are selling at from 6 cts to 6 1/2 cts a lb.

PORK—Much more plentiful and owing thereto the price has become much easier. Dealers have now cut the price down from 20 cts to 25 cts a lb for rolls and prints.

Eggs—Deliveries are far in excess of the demand and they are now being sold for 10 cts a doz for cash or 11 cts a doz for trade.

Potatoes are also a drag in the market and prices vary all the way from 15 cts to 25 cts a bushel according to the necessities of the man who is buying.

Hay is sold at \$10 a ton for loose and \$12 a ton for baled.

## Northern Pacific Rates for the Queen's Birthday

For the above occasion the N. P. will make a round trip rate to points in Manitoba of one fare and a fourth on Morris Brandon Branch and one and a third fare on Portage Branch. Tickets to be sold May 23rd, 24th and 25th; good to return up to May 27th.

## St. Matthews Sunday School Entertainment.

The entertainment given Tuesday evening under the auspices of St. Matthews church S. S. was a great success, there being about 400 present and the roller rink crowded, numbers standing at the rear of the hall.

The principal feature of the evening's program was the rendering of the song story "Jesus' First Prayer," by the children of the Sunday school (under the leadership of Miss Morrison), illustrated by magic lantern views.

The story itself is a very beautiful one and it certainly was done justice. The solos were taken up by Miss Delaney, a little girl of eight years and were sweetly and effectively sung; Miss Blanche Cottingham and Miss Magee singing the duets very acceptably also. Mr. Coleman, superintendent of the school, read the story. The Rev. Mr. Chaney, of Glenboro, exhibited the views which illustrated the story, and also showed a magnificent set of views of scenes in the Pilgrim's Progress, and other comic and serious sketches which were highly appreciated by the audience.

The great credit, however, for the success of the entertainment is due to Miss Morrison, who cannot be too highly praised for her training of the little ones in the 16 numbers that were sung so beautifully. The choir's rendering of "The Lord's Prayer" was appreciated by the audience as also their aid in the choruses.

The singing of "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" by the children from the Elkhorn Indian school, under the charge of Miss Vidal, was very creditable both to the Indian children themselves and to their trainers, and formed an interesting part of the program.

A very fine photograph of Her Majesty was thrown on the sheet by Mr. Chaney and a very pleasant evening was broken up by the singing of the National Anthem.

The superintendent of the school and Mr. W. S. Cottingham were the committee in charge.

## Important News.

### The Massey and Harris Implement Firms unite in a New Company.

Toronto, May 5.—It is said a big transaction has just been closed here by which the Massey Manufacturing company, of this city, and the A. Harris Sons & Co.'s establishment, of Brandon, are to become one institution. A new company has been formed by the heads of these two great Canadian agricultural implement houses, and they propose to go into the manufacture of farm machinery more extensively than ever.

Mr. Irwin, general manager for the Massey company in this district, was seen by a MAIL representative and he confirms the above. He further says that it would not surprise him to see the amalgamated companies put up large warehouses here this season.

## Ottawa Notes.

Ottawa, May 7.—In the Senate, Boulton gave notice of a resolution praying that the Imperial Government be pleased to grant aid to the Hudson Bay Railway, on the ground that it would be of material aid in supplying food to Britain in case of war, etc. Boulton's resolutions have all a savor of blood and war, and in the present instance he has not consulted any of the Manitoba members or the president of the Hudson Bay railway, who is here, in connection with this action. The Senate adjourned until the 26th inst.

Mr. Hugh John Macdonald is pressing upon the attention of the Government to get the Manitoba militia together for drill this season. The Minister of Militia is complaining of expense, but Winnipeg's member is determined that in the general interest of his country this difficulty should be got over.

Dr. Landerkin, in moving for particulars regarding the gazetting of members and the return of returning officers, entered a protest against the system of keeping back the gazetting of Liberals and rushing through the returns of Conservatives. Hon. Mr. Mills supported this, and Sir John promised to look into the matter.

Another batch of petitions were presented in favor of prohibition when the House met this afternoon. The time for receiving private bills was extended to the 22nd inst.

Replying to a question, Hon. Mr. Haggart said that the Government expected to be able to publish the census returns by July 1st.

The supreme court has adjourned until Tuesday.

The House was almost deserted to-night, all the members having left for their homes.

Messrs. Daly, McDowell, Hugh John Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald along with some others dined with Hon. Mr. Dewdney this evening.

### FROM THE PACIFIC COAST.

We quote from a letter recently received from Miss Eleanor Pope, Port Haney, B.C. "For some three weeks croup, bruise, etc. Haggard's Yellow Oil is the best thing I have ever used."

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THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1891.

### THE CONVENTION.

As we stated in our last issue, a Liberal Conservative convention has been called for the 17th of June, at Winnipeg. There are 38 provincial electoral divisions, and each one is entitled to send five delegates, so that with a full convention there should be 190 persons present, though the assembly will be glad to see present all the buildings selected may have room for, who are opposed to the present government. To-day the pretext for a government stands charged before the country with stultifying itself at every turn; it is self-convicted, and as an administration diseased to the core, and all that is required is a united action of the opposition to drive it into lasting oblivion. The duty of the officials of every electoral division is to call a meeting at once and select their five men to attend that meeting, where the plans for the attack will be fully decided on. All should remember there is nothing pre-arranged, and there will be nothing until the delegates meet, and then whatever line of action is most agreeable to the majority of those present will be adopted, so that the force of public expression, the second contract was made with the N.P., by which according to the acknowledgment of Mr. Martin himself, the country saved another \$800,000.

At that time, again Mr. Roblin advocated jointly with Messrs. Greenway and Martin, economy in the management of all public business, and since then Messrs. Greenway and Martin have seen fit to expend in interest and cost of maintenance some \$7,000 a year on a Reformatory for the care of one street Arab, three months in the year, and to sink the country in a funded debt to the same end, of some \$50,000. Since then, also, these two heroes of broken professions have seen fit to establish the second asylum in the province for the care of two-thirds of the unfortunates that are usually found in one institution in the other provinces.

At that time, again Mr. Roblin in company with these gentlemen advocated a Franchise Act that would give manhood suffrage to the people irrespective of creed, race or color, and Messrs. Greenway and Martin in office endeavored to pass one that will place ballots in the hands of the friends of government supporters only. Mr. Roblin has endeavored in responsibility to carry the measures he advocated before he entered the House, and Messrs. Greenway and Martin have as fully as possible, in responsibility, ignored their previous representations.

If "Blatherskites" there must be in the parliament of the province, to suit the exquisite notions of the prints we have named, the elections on next polling day will have no difficulty in singling them out.

### WHO ARE THE "BLATHERSKITES."

"Blatherskite" Roblin is the euphonious title that exquisitely expressed metropolitan print, the Winnipeg Tribune, and its counterpart, the Sun in this city, now give to Mr. R. P. Roblin, M.P.P. If we remember aright, the Winnipeg Sun, of which the present Martin-Greenway apologist is the outgrowth and the local luminary expressed themselves very differently of that gentleman, in his contest with the Hon. Dr. Wilson some six years ago. At that time, too, the present managers and writers of the twin Suns—the primary and secondary orbs, were the managers and writers of the present oracles. Now, if it can be shown that in his advocacy, Mr. Roblin is not now the same as he was then, the prints have a right to criticise his course even to the use of the word "Blatherskite," if it is the choicest term the refinement of their natures will allow them to use; but, of course, a review of the situation will throw some light on that matter.

At that time Mr. Roblin in concert with Mr. Greenway and Mr. Martin, was advocating the construction of the Red River Valley Railway and its retention by the government as an independent outlet accessible to any railway corporation to use it for competitive purposes. Since then Messrs. Greenway and Martin have built it, and handed it over to the Northern Pacific bodily. At that time Mr. Roblin in company with Messrs. Greenway and Martin again advocated the abolition of the C.P.R. monopoly, that competing roads might be built in the province without cost to the people or at least at a very low figure, and since then Messrs. Greenway and Martin have given \$630,000 to the N. P. who have got full possession of the R.R. V.R. for a road that has given an undertaking not to charge higher rates than the C.P.R. is charging, even ignoring the offers of other R'y companies, who proposed to give the country facilities more required by the people for infinitely less money. In short it was only through the course to be pursued until the gov-

ernment is beaten, and replaced by honest and better men, will be altogether in the hands of the delegates themselves. The necessity, then, for a full convention of representatives from every division must be apparent to every one.

What the government really intends to do is unknown, even to themselves, no matter what papers in their interest may say to the contrary. Whether there will be an immediate dissolution or another session before the once powerful Grit pyramid falls assunder of its own weakness no one at present knows, so that union and organization on the part of the opposition is of the utmost importance.

The Winnipeg Tribune advised its readers to use "smoked glass" in looking at the transit of Mercury last Saturday. The organ knows the virtue of smoked glasses in dealing with the acts of the Greenway government. Through them it sees an occasional "Blatherskite."

The patent back in this city thinks it amusing to see a renegade Tory leading the Grit government of Manitoba, and a "Transformed" Liberal leading the Tory opposition. Yes, and if the representation of the country was now only made up of traitors like those who sold Norway in the days of "the new combine," the picture would be complete. Just think of a man representing public opinion who called Mr. Daly before his election an "upstart" that should be defeated under any circumstances, holding up that gentleman for a seat in the cabinet after his election. Dust eating is the natural employment of some men.

We observe some Conservatives are holding conventions to select candidates at once. This is a mistake, as until it is known whether or not the government will hold another session of the House before dissolving, public opinion cannot be properly represented at conventions. If the government holds another session before dissolving, they will make a Germ-rinder of the province that will alter the boundaries of the constituencies, so that candidates selected now will not represent constituencies as at present formed. Better have a full representation at the convention in Winnipeg, on the 17th of June; look well after the voters' lists, leave the nominees of constituencies until it is definitely known how these constituencies will be made up.

We are told by the Winnipeg Tribune that the Hon. Mr. Laurier "paid a high tribute to the worth of Mr. Robert Watson." Yes; and possibly Mr. Laurier can see more in him, in the emergency, than the electors of Marquette can. Mr. Watson had three elections in his constituency and every time his vote grew proportionately less until the last time he really received a minority of the ballots actually cast by the electors. Mr. Laurier may see in Mr. Watson the elements of Canada's future greatest statesman, but certainly the electors of Marquette cannot understand it that way. For the past nine years Mr. Watson has made it his duty in and out of the House to continually carp at the government just as a little poodle dog would bark at the heels of an elephant, imagining that was the duty for which he was especially created, and this is the result. Mr. Laurier commends him for it, but his constituency gave him in return a minority vote. By the way, would it not have been more in order if the Grit party instead of banqueting Mr. Watson in Marquette had banququetted the returning officers who made the blunder of destroying the ballots cast by Mr. Boyd's electors in the constituency. That step would have been more in order.

### The Jewish Colonies.

ROTHSCHILD'S MILLIONS ARE BEHIND BARON HIRSCH'S SCHEME.

London May 6.—It transpires that the Baroness Rothschild was really the prime mover in the matter of raising a great fund to provide for colonizing the expelled Russian Jews. Baron Rothschild was but little impressed with Baron Hirsch's enthusiasm on the subject until the baroness became interested. The Hirsch scheme was then widened out into what may be called a race project, all the wealthy and influential Hebrews of Europe and America being more or less interested. It is understood that the Rothschilds have not framed any limit to the amount they are willing to contribute to the enterprise, and that they practically stand in the position of having guaranteed to make up whatever deficit there may be after all others have subscribed. There can hardly be a doubt that under this arrangement they will ultimately become the heaviest contributors. Baron Rothschild personally favors the colonization of Palestine, rather than South America, but he has acquiesced in leaving the choice of the locality to a committee of the subscribers.

### CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having placed in his hands by an East India missionary, the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for consumption, Bronchitis, Asthma, Catarrh, and all Throat and Lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, he felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men. Actuated by this motive, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this receipt in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Send by mail by addressing with stamps, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 200 Fourth Street, Rochester, N. Y.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Alex. Simpson, an Orilla, Ont., teamster, was killed on Friday last by his team running away.

M. Price, a negro, was hanged at Marshall, Mo., on Friday, for rape.

London, May 8.—The returns issued by the board of trade show that during the month of April imports increased \$300,000 and exports increased \$270,000 as compared with those of the corresponding month last year.

It is rumored that President Harrison will pass the summer at Cape May on the Atlantic coast.

The annual convention of the Y. M. C. A. of the United States, opened at Kansas City on Thursday last.

The town of Alliston, Ont., was nearly wiped out by a fire last Friday. The losses will be very heavy.

The town of Gravenhurst, Ont., is in great danger from forest fires.

Montreal, May 8.—The Parnellite delegates held a well attended meeting to-night notwithstanding the opposition of the clergy. Both Redmond and O'Kelly delivered lengthy addresses. They regard the meeting as a success.

Three banks in Philadelphia suspended payment on Friday last.

A Toronto man has bid \$400,000 for the Upper Canada College lands. Decision in the matter has been reserved.

Forest fires are raging in the State of Minnesota along the line of the Duluth and Winnipeg railway.

### THREE KILLED AND THIRTEEN WOUNDED.

That is the Result of a Railway Collision at Shepherd, Mich.

Shepherd, Mich., May 11.—At ten o'clock last night an extra freight from the north, approaching the yard here, ran into fourteen loaded log cars, wrecking the engine and caboose. The men on this train jumped and escaped injury. The force of the collision started the log cars down the grade through the Shepherd yard to a line south where the rest of the train was being loaded with logs. In the collision which followed three men were killed and thirteen injured.

### WORTHY OF CONFIDENCE.

Those who have used it praise it: Mrs. Geo. Ward, writes from Josephine, Ont., concerning Hagyard's Yellow Oil: "As a cure for chapped hands, swellings, sore throat, etc., I recommend Hagyard's Yellow Oil to all."

### FIVE KILLED AND FIFTEEN INJURED.

An Explosion on Board an Oil Tank Steamship Causes Death and Damage.

London, May 11.—A terrific explosion occurred in the forehold of the British steamship Tancerville, Capt. Carter, which was undergoing repairs in the dry-docks at Newport. Several workmen employed on the steamer were killed and a number injured. The vessel is badly damaged. The Tancerville is a tank steamer engaged in carrying oil in bulk from American ports. After last voyage was from Philadelphia for Havre, from which latter port she proceeded to Newport, where she was to load for Baltimore. It seems probable that the explosion was caused by gases, which prevail in the holds of all oil-carrying ships. Five men were killed and fifteen injured.

### DANGER TO FISHERMEN.

A FRENCH ADMIRAL SUGGESTS THAT OCEAN STEAMSHIPS AVOID THE BANKS OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

Paris, May 11.—Parliament has had submitted to it a report of Admiral Vallon of the French navy in regard to dangers incurred by fishermen in Newfoundland water from large ocean steamers. In an interview the admiral declared that ocean steamships should be compelled to avoid passing along the banks of Newfoundland. He asserts that ocean steamers could easily make a detour which would be but a matter of four hours extra time and thus avoid any danger of running down fishing boats.

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### A Yankee Samaritan.

There was a good Samaritan on a train from Newport to Bangor the other day, and the Fairfield (Me.) Journal tells of his journey: "When he got on the car a double seat there was occupied by a tired woman and four hot, tired, dirty, squabbling children. Did the newcomer, after a short remark about the nuisance of children traveling, put his feet on the seat in front and bury himself in a newspaper? Not he. As soon as he saw the party he folded up his paper, put it away, tucked his baggage in the smallest possible capacity and entered the tired and dirty bits of humanity over to his side of the car, getting some one just ahead of him to give up a seat, so as to accommodate all four of them. Soon he had the quartette eating wafers and laughing at his stories while the tired mother got a nap."

### It Makes a Difference.

Clara.—How do you like my friend? Fanny.—He is a horrid creature. Is he married? "No, he is not married."

"How happy is the lot of the woman who did not get him for a husband."

### DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY.

Kidney complaint, dropsy and similar troubles depend directly on wrong action of the Kidneys and indirectly on bad blood. Burdock Blood Bitters regulate the action of the kidneys and cleanse the blood from all impurities, in this way curing kidney complaint, dropsy, etc.

### Brussels Post Office Robbed.

A DARING ACT OF BURGLARS—ALL THE REGISTERED MAIL FILLED.

Brussels, Ont., May 4.—Burglars ransacked the post office last night, securing registered letters, a gold watch and considerable cash. A young man who arrived during the operation to post letters was covered by the sentry's pistol and made to keep quiet until it was completed. The sentry told him they made their money that way and that he would hear the safe blown up, which he did, but that it would not hurt him.

### SEVERE COLD CURED.

DEAR SIRS—My mother was attacked with a very severe cold and cough. She resolved to try Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam, and on so doing, found it did her more good than any other medicine she ever tried.

Mrs. MENNEDY, Hamilton Ont.

### THEY ARE SATISFIED.

Toronto, April 16.—The annual meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association was held here this afternoon. The national policy was endorsed and discrimination against England and reciprocity with the States in natural products were condemned.

### Strayed.

STRAYED, on the E. half 12, 11, 18, on Saturday, May 10, a bay mare, white hind feet aged about 8 or 10 years, having on halter and blanket. Owner can have the same by paying expenses.

May 11. T. NEVIN, Chatter P.O.

### New Goods for the Millions.

On Mr. Cliffe's trip east a couple of weeks ago he purchased new goods for the millions which are now arriving at the Mail Bookstore, and will be opened out in a few days.

In Wall Papers we have over 500 patterns, embracing Browns from 10c upwards to the finest gills. In Dadoes, Cornices, Centres, Borders &c. we have an endless variety.

In Sporting goods we can suit all tastes. Lacrosse Sticks of all the best makes, base ball supplies, cricket, goods in variety, lawn tennis, croquet, etc., etc. Hammocks, children's wagons, etc., etc. In general stationery, books, etc., we have made substantial additions. Artists' utensils. In this department we have added some fine lines in oil and water color paints, brushes, plaques, canvases, studies, etc., making the stock complete in all important lines, and all will please bear in mind our prices are lower than the lowest.

### C. CLIFFE.

## Paisley & Morton

COME up smiling at commencement of the spring season.—A big trade makes any merchant happy. We have purchased for the spring trade fresh lines of seasonable Dry Goods, Clothing, Gents' Furnishings, Hats, Caps, etc., some already to hand and the balance on the way, that in variety, quality, and popularity, STAND AWAY AT THE TOP. Our first care in buying these goods had been as to quality, and in marking to make them uniformly low, so that visitors will become buyers, and buyers freely admit ours to be the

### Cheapest Stock In Town.

And while we do sell as cheap as any competitor, we GIVE with every Twenty Dollars worth of Goods bought from us for CASH, your choice of a number of useful articles in SILVER GOODS: see list on prize cards, ask for one. See new lines in these goods next week.

Careful attention paid to mail orders. Samples sent when requested. Purpose waiting upon our customers at a distance once a season with complete set of samples. See "Dry Goods Herald" mailed in a few days.

We solicit your "all the year round patronage."

Yours for Business,

PAISLEY & MORTON. BRANDON, - SOUTH SIDE ROSSER, McDIARMID & BLOCK.

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## Half a Car Load of BOOTS & SHOES TO HAND.

Best Brand in the Market. Call and see them.

CRAWFORD & CO., SOURIS, MANITOBA.

## TEAS. - TEAS.

A couple of shipments of Teas from the eastern market which were bought at a

### Large Reduction off

the regular price, we are therefore in a position to give you Teas equal in quality at a much less cost than you have been in the habit of paying.

The consignment consists of all the different kinds, viz:

CONGOS, YOUNG HYSONS, ASSAM, INDIAN PEKOS, JAPANS, ETC.

We will be pleased if you will call on us and get a sample. You need only to try them to be convinced that we are giving you better value for your money than you ever got before, at

W. J. YOUNG & CO'S., The Red Front.

Also a full line of General Groceries always on hand which you will always find fresh and of best quality.



## Nothing Like Leather!

BOOTS & SHOES. - BOOTS & SHOES.

W. SENKBIEL,

The Pioneer Boot and Shoe Dealer.

Announces to the citizens of Brandon and vicinity that he has resumed business in his new stand, Rosser Avenue, opposite the Queen's Hotel, and has opened a large and carefully selected stock of BOOTS & SHOES, which he will sell at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction to all his old customers, and as many new ones as favor him with a call. An inspection of the stock is respectfully solicited.

Custom Work and Repairing by first-class Workmen.



## LOCAL NEWS.

J. H. Brown, of Souris, paid our town a visit yesterday.

Mr. T. S. Matheson left Monday morning for Minneapolis.

J. T. Grandy and family of this city visited Winnipeg last week.

Inspector Moffat of the N.W.M.P. was in the city last week.

The court of revision for the city assessment meets to night in the city hall.

Mr. Dickson, the engineer and surveyor, is out at Glenboro on professional business.

Lacrosse players, look at the fine lot of sticks and all sporting goods at the **Mail Bookstore**.

Wall papers. The finest lot ever brought to the city, now on sale at the **Mail Bookstore**.

W. Stotts, agent for Sylvester Bros., at Souris, is erecting a large implement warehouse in that burg.

Mr. Edward Chapman, of Daly, has sold his homestead to Mr. Harper, a new arrival from England.

The baseball club are talking of sending a nine up to Virden on the 27th to take part in the tournament to be held at that place.

Geo. Orpen who was burned in the fire of last Thursday is improving and his medical adviser has hopes that he will be around soon.

Carberry citizens now boast of a road grading machine which has been lately purchased from the Westbrook implement company.

Mr. Thos. J. O'Brien of this city left on Friday last for Butte City and other southwestern points where he intends to pass the summer.

The number of employees in the C.P.R. workshops at Winnipeg has been lately increased. There are now between 400 and 500 men working steadily.

The census enumerators of this county are getting along pretty well with their work. Some of them have already completed and returned their rolls.

Old Lake now boasts of a baseball club which intends to take the field against all comers. Now, you Brandon boys come down to work and get off some of that useless fat that has accumulated during the winter.

J. A. Brock's new studio is now completed in Dr. Fleming's Block and he will give to his many patrons. Photos at 80 per dozen for a month. He would be pleased to see all that wish the finest styles of the art.

The Plymouth Brethren of this city held an interesting service on last Sunday. Four new members were received into the church by the ceremony of baptism. The rite was performed in the waters of the Assiniboine.

Messrs. W. H. Hall, E. J. Crawford and Wm. Fraser, of Souris, left on Tuesday evening's train for Hamilton for a few weeks stay at the sanatorium. Their friends here hope that they will be improved in health before their return.

Artists, attention! There is now at the **Mail Bookstore** a fine assortment of paints, palettes, brushes, etc. There is no necessity for sending out of the city for anything in this line.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church held their next literary meeting on Monday evening the 18th inst. The subject for the evening is selections from Charles Dickens Works, such as recitations, sketches, etc. A cordial invitation is extended to all, and especially to strangers in the city.

Mr. William Johnston, president of the Board of Trade wishes us to give notice that a meeting of the members of that body will be held on Tuesday evening next in the city hall at 8 p.m., sharp. As the election of officers and other important business will come before the members a goodly attendance is earnestly requested.

The temperance meeting held in the Baptist church at the close of the usual evening service was a most successful affair. The addresses of Mr. Coleman, Dr. Fleming, and the Rev. Mr. Reckie were stirring and effective. Miss Pickie assisted by the choir of Y.W.C.A. rendered some choice and select music.

A meeting of the types was held on Tuesday evening, at which the following officers were elected for the coming baseball season: Ed. Garson, pres.; A. McNab, sec.; W. J. Graham, treas.; R. Lipsett, Capt.; Ed. Garson, W. J. Graham and R. Lipsett, executive committee. It is the intention of the prints to get out and practise, and it is to be hoped, for the sake of the trade at least, that they will make a good show.

Latest reports from Port Arthur about the accident on the C.P.R. says it is impossible to give any further information that is reliable about the accident. Street rumors are that four people were killed, but the first report of one is more likely to be correct. It is not likely that the train will be here till to-night or tomorrow. Later reports are that the train went through a burned trestle, that cars were burned, the mail destroyed and baggage man killed. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping.

Grand Master Oras visited the local lodge of A. F. and A. M. on Tuesday evening. He was quite a good turn out to greet him. The Grand Master was kind enough to say some good words in reference to the efficiency of the working of the lodge. On the J.W.'s' part the 2 members adjourned for refreshments and on the removal of the table some good speeches were made. Brother Oras by his urbane manner and thorough knowledge of the ritual as shown in the work done in the lodge proved himself to be the right man in the right place.

Mr. Cottingham, and Mr. Merritt were out wading shooting on Arbor day, when Mr. Merritt had the good fortune to kill five birds with one shot.

According to the records kept by the government agents at Winnipeg, the number of bona fide settlers who have arrived here during the first four months of this year amounts to about 7,000. The greater percentage of that number were Europeans. For the corresponding period of last year the number of settlers who arrived here was 3,926.

A meeting was held recently at Mountain, southern Manitoba, to consider the advisability of establishing a cheese factory. After discussion, and explanations of the working of the cheese factory had been given by Mr. Rockett, the meeting came to the conclusion to initiate the movement. A cheese making plant is to be brought in by Mr. Rockett, a suitable building has been offered rent free by R. Brown, and 100 cows have been guaranteed to make a start. 25 per lb. is to be given for manufacturing the article and the patrons have undertaken to deliver the milk to the factory.

Free Press.—A word was received by a gentleman in the city on Saturday that Mr. Charlebois, the contractor, and the Great Northwest Central railway company had reached a basis of settlement in the dispute concerning the completed portion of the road. It only now remains to work out a few minor details, when the money, which has for some months been in the hands of a trustee, will be paid over to Mr. Charlebois. As soon as the dispute is settled the company will prepare to operate the road as far as built and may also do some more construction this year. The information received here regarding the matter came direct from England.

A correspondent writing from Treherne says:—"Once more the angel of death has cast a shadow over our neighborhood by calling away the youngest daughter of Mr. T. A. Metcalf. For some time the child struggled with la grippe, and although everything was done in the way of medical skill for her recovery, inflammation set in and she quietly passed away. The remains of the deceased, followed by a large number of sorrowing friends, were conveyed to the place of interment on Friday. The family and relatives have the deep sympathy of the vicinity in their late bereavement."

## Weather Report.

Observations taken at the Experimental Farm, Brandon, with Government standard instruments, for the week ending, Tuesday May 12th, 1891.

DATE	HIGHEST	LOWEST
May 6	72 above	24 above
" 7	82 " "	40 " "
" 8	82 " "	48 " "
" 9	84 " "	48 " "
" 10	84 " "	48 " "
" 11	81 " "	37 " "
" 12	71 " "	39 " "

S. A. BEDFORD, Observer.

## DIED.

DECEASED On the 11th inst. in Brandon, Dora Sarah, infant daughter of Philip E. and Lilla Durst, aged 2 years, 1 month and 6 days.

MR. KESZIE. In Brandon, on May 11th, An tin, aged 11 months and 12 days, son of Mr. F. R. and Maria McKenzie.

## LANDS FOR SALE.

**640 ACRES** of rich land near Wadena, 20 acres wooded, 20 acres cultivated, 25 acres fuel, 10 acres meadow—frame house, price \$3,000—on easy terms or will trade for city property.

**320 ACRES** of heavy clay loam—lying to be sold in 1891 and no frozen crop since 35 acres of poplar, good neighbors, fronting Shoal Lake, 2 miles from F.O., and 6 from railway station. Price \$1,400—easy terms.

Over 100 improved farms for sale. Cheap building lots selling rapidly—House property all over the city.

**FRED D. COOPER,**  
Rossier Avenue, Brandon.

## CITY OF BRANDON.

### ELECTORAL DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Liberal Conservatives of the above Division will be held in the **FORESTER'S HALL**

McDonald's block, Rossier Avenue, Brandon, on

**Tuesday, 26th May, '91,**

AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

### BUSINESS:

Election of Officers. Selection of five delegates to attend Provincial Convention in Winnipeg on 15th June, 1891, and other business. A full attendance is requested.

W. A. MACDONALD, President.

## Tenders Wanted

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the City of Brandon addressed to the undersigned up to the first day of June till 12 o'clock noon, for the sewerage work of the said City of Brandon for one year from the first day of July. For further particulars apply to

Chairman of License, Police, Health and Relief.

### TEACHER WANTED.

FOR the Little Souris S.D., six miles south of Brandon. Duties to commence at once, apply to

T. R. HENDMAN Secy. Treas. Brandon P.O.

April 26th 1891.

### Farm for Sale.

FOR SALE at reasonable price and liberal terms that well known first-class farm consisting of the west half of H. 12 in the municipality of Elton. There is over 100 acres of improved land on the farm, good fenced pasture and plenty of spring water. The building consists of a good story and a half frame house with kitchen, parlor, dining room and three hewed log stables. Purchaser can obtain the other half of the section if required. It is the nearest market being distant 10 miles. Church and school within a mile and a half of the premises. Apply on the premises to W. F. Smith or by letter to Crestford P.O. Further information can be obtained at this office. apl 5-2m

## TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the undersigned for a

**Brick Livery Barn,** to be erected in Brandon. Tenders will close at 12 o'clock noon, on

**Saturday, May 16th.**

Plans and specifications may be seen, and full information obtained at the office

**Fleming's Block.**

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. H. SHILLINGLAW, Architect.

## LOST.

ON LOST or stolen, strayed or taken from enclosure of the undersigned, corner 6th St. and Rossier Ave., about two weeks ago a large red ox, weighing about 150 lbs. A reward will be given for information leading to his recovery.

W. H. GREER. Brandon P.O.

## Brandon Marble and Granite Works.

# Somerville and Co'y.

We beg to intimate to the Citizens of Brandon and surrounding Country that we have opened up in the Marble and Granite business in the premises lately occupied by DALY & COLDWELL as Law Office, opposite Braside Block, where we will carry a full line of

**Monuments, Headstones, Mantle Pieces, Grates, Hearths, Etc.**

A large lot of the latest designs on Exhibition.

We have had 20 years experience in the business and can guarantee first-class work.

We solicit your orders which will have our careful attention.

A full line of stock has now arrived at our shop.

**SOMERVILLE & Co.**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE.



Persons suffering should not miss this opportunity to consult **Mr. Authors.**  
**AUTHORS & COX,**  
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Manufacturers of Artificial Limbs, Trusses, Crutches, Surgical Appliances, &c.



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Handsomest Machines ever built!

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**DAVID - LAIRD,**

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**Good Horses and Rigs**

FOR COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS.

If you visit Souris call and see if I cannot supply you with just the kind of rig you want.

**DAVID LAIRD,**

Souris, May 7th 1891.

Magic little granules—these tiny sugar-coated Pellets of Dr. Pierce's—scurvy, indigestion, liver trouble, etc., are cured by yet mild and palatable. The best Liver Pill ever invented. Cure sick headache, dizziness, constipation. One a dose.

## THOMSON & RYDER,

**MARBLE SCULPTORS**

AND FINE

**STONE CUTTERS.**

**MONUMENTS**

**TOMBSTONES**

**A Specialty.**

Call and inspect our work.

Shop on 7th Street, opposite Petit

Boarding House.

Brandon, April 20. 6 m

## NOTICE.

(A. EMBERTSON begs to announce that he has taken LONELY WIND into partnership and henceforth the firm will be known as Emberton & Winder, who will carry on the business as heretofore.

Your patronage is respectfully solicited.

signed L. EMBERTSON.  
LIONEL WINDER.

**Impounded.**  
A BAY mare with white star on forehead and white hind legs, stands 15 hands high and has a halter on. Owner can have the same by paying expenses. Impounded Friday, April 24th, 1891.

—S. K. KIEL, Sr. Pound keeper. Sho. 15-19-20, Kenney P. O. Man. April 26th, 1891.

**GOPHERS!**

ROSE'S GOPHER KILLER.



Take only Diploma at Brandon Agricultural Show.

Use no other. All who have tried it endorse it. One killed before day is worth one dozen in July.

Manufactured by **ROSE & CO.,**

Rosier Ave., Brandon.



**TENDERS**

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Indian Supplies," will be received at this office up to noon of SATURDAY, 25th May, 1891, for the delivery of Indian Supplies, during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1892, consisting of Flour, meal, macaroni, Groceries, Ammunition, Furs, Agricultural implements, Tools, etc., duty paid, and various items in Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

Each tender, containing full particulars relative to the supplies required, dates of delivery, &c., may be had by applying to the undersigned, or to the Indian Commissioner at Regina, or to the Indian Officer, Winnipeg.

For the purpose of each description of goods, or for any portion of each description of goods separately or for all the goods called for in the schedule, a bid of the tenderer reserves to himself the right to reject the whole or any part of a tender.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque in favor of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, or a Canadian Bank, for at least five per cent. of the amount of the tender which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into a contract based on such tender when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contract in full.

If the tender be not accepted, the cheque will be returned, and if a contract be entered into for a part only of the supplies tendered for an accepted cheque for five per cent. of the amount of the contract may be substituted for that which accompanied the tender; the contract security cheque will be retained by the Department until the end of the fiscal year.

Each tender must, in addition to the signature of the tenderer, be signed by two credible acceptables to the Department for the proper forwarding of the contract based on his tender.

This advertisement is not to be inserted by any newspaper without the authority of the Queen's Printer, and no claim for payment by the tenderer will be entertained for such an authority will be demanded.

**L. VANKOUGHNET,**  
Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, March, 1891.

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate "The Manitoba and Assiniboine Grand Junction Railway Company," with power to build, equip and maintain a line of railway, and from some point on the Qu'Appelle, Long Lake and Saskatchewan Railways and Steamship Company—a line of railway, and from some point easterly to cross the Assiniboine River at or near the village of Shellmouth, in the County of Russell and Province of Manitoba, thence to some point at or near Lake Dauphin, and from thence to some point on the projected line of the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay Railway and Steamship Company, and with power to build a branch line from Shellmouth aforesaid to the village of Shellmouth, in the Province of Manitoba, and to construct bridge and telegraph and telephone lines on and along the said course of said proposed railway and said branch.

**VIVIAN & DODGE,**  
Solicitors for applicants.  
Dated Winnipeg 16th March, 1891. apl 5-9k

**AVIS.**

AVIS est donne par le present que demande A sera faite au parlement du Canada, a sa prochaine session, afin d'obtenir un acte constituant en corporation "La Compagnie du Grand Junction de chemin de fer de Manitoba et Assiniboine" avec pouvoir de construire, equiper et entretenir une ligne de chemin de fer partant de quelque point sur la ligne de chemin de fer de la "Compagnie du chemin de fer de la Qu'Appelle, du Lac Long et de la Saskatchewan", et de quelque point dans une direction est, croiser la riviere Assiniboine a ou pres du village de Shellmouth dans la comtee de Russell, et de continuer la ligne de chemin de fer a une quelconque point au pres du lac Dauphin, et de la a une quelconque point sur la ligne projetee de la "Compagnie de chemin de fer de la province de Manitoba", et de continuer des ponts et des lignes de telegraphes et de telephones sur et le long du dit chemin de fer projetee et du dit embranchement.

**VIVIAN et DODGE,**  
Soliciteurs des demandeurs.  
Dated Winnipeg 16 mars 1891.

## AUSTIN POULTRY YARDS.

W. M. JONES, PROPRIETOR.  
Breeder of the following Classes of Pure Bred Poultry:  
Black game Eggs \$3.00 per setting  
Black Minorcas " " " "  
Black Spanish " " " "  
Langshans " " " "  
Brown Leghorns Eggs \$2.00 per setting  
Silver Dorkins " " " "  
Pekin Ducks " " " "  
Pit Game " " " "  
Eggs warranted to hatch.  
One pair of each of the above varieties for sale now.  
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April 16 1891, 4t

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**MAIL CONTRACTS.**

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Post-Office, will be received at Ottawa until noon, FRIDAY, 15th MAY next for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, on proposed contracts for four years over each of the following routes from the 1st of July next:

ALEXANDER STATION and RAILWAY STATION twice times per week, computed distance 4 miles.

ARROWTOWN and PARKINSON, once per week, computed distance 20 miles.

BALMERINO and HUNSWORTH, twice per week, computed distance 5 miles.



## AVEGED AT LAST.

"Armida tells me he makes very rapid progress in his studies and is really a very remarkable man," responded Mrs. Delaro, without accepting Mr. Wilcox's remarks in their serious sense. The notion that her apparently light manner of treating a subject which each had a short time before thought so serious did not seem to please Mr. Wilcox, who remained perfectly silent and continued to read the evening paper, she again spoke. "Mr. Wilcox," the tone in which she addressed her old friend was quite sufficient; had the paper been but the venerable millionaire could not have dropped it quicker, and in an instant he was all attention. "Do you not think it would be wise to concoct some plan whereby we could, for a time at least, interrupt the studies which are being pursued with such indefatigable zeal in this house?"

"That is something which has occurred to me very many times of late, but I have been waiting for the first suggestion to come from you," was the answer.

"And I am very much puzzled to conceive of a suggestion which is worth offering," answered the widow.

For a few moments they both appeared to be lost in thought, from which quiet state they emerged simultaneously. "Suppose," they began together, and both smiled. Mrs. Delaro gave way to Mr. Wilcox, who said: "I will wager a pair of gloves, which is the most serious amount I ever bet in my life, that we are each thinking of the same thing."

"That is probably so," said Mrs. Delaro, "but I will defer to you and permit you to give your suggestion first."

"Well, I was about to say, suppose that when Percy comes back we all go to Europe."

"Precisely the current of my thoughts," was Mrs. Delaro's ready response.

"Then Percy can not come back a moment too soon and this Mr. Emorick, whoever he is, can pursue his vocation without interruption. For Armida's future, which is really threatened (and here the old man spoke with great earnestness) is far too serious a matter to be trifled with, and must be sacredly guarded."

If Mrs. Delaro had only guessed the true meaning of these words of one of nature's gentlemen, she too would have rejoiced at their import, but she did not, or she would have been more earnest in her manner.

"Let Percy remain where he is for a few weeks longer, then if he does not meet with any success, cable him to return home," said the widow.

"At any rate I must send him a message to-morrow, for I have not had a word from him now for three weeks, and my instructions were that he should send a line at least once a week," were Mr. Wilcox's next words.

There was just the slightest look of alarm in Mrs. Delaro's face as she glanced up at Mr. Wilcox and questioningly said: "You do not mean that?"

"Indeed it is true," he replied.

"Then I fear some harm must have happened him," said Mrs. Delaro.

"No, I hardly think that. He may have had occasion to go up into the country hurriedly, and, anticipating that he might have a message of importance to send us, has delayed his communications. In fact, there are a hundred things which are liable to happen on a journey of that kind," were Mr. Wilcox's words as he again took up the paper.

"In the meantime I think it may be as well to caution Armida, mildly, about making too free with Eugene Bregy. And by the way I forgot to tell you" (here Mrs. Delaro indulged in a suppressed ripple of merry laughter) "that your old friend Mr. Blodger, who turned up again so unexpectedly a few days since has made it his business to investigate into the antecedents of this bumptious young grocer, as he terms him, but he does not appear to have any thing to report at present beyond the fact that Mrs. Bregy is a very estimable woman and knows good soap from bad."

"When Blodger died," said Mr. Wilcox, "I think some one will have to invent an imperishable soap monument to place over his grave, for I never knew a man so devoted to it. He must have made a great study of the article, but having made a fortune in its manufacture I think he should limit his present acquaintance with it to that required for personal toilet purposes."

After this Mrs. Delaro resumed her fancy work, which she continued until she leaned back in her chair and listened to her daughter's voice in the room across the hall until she almost fell asleep under its sweet influence. As for Mr. Wilcox, he read his paper until he too succumbed to the benign influence of the sweet strains of vocal music. Armida all this time had been alternately conversing with and teaching Eugene in blissful ignorance that she was the cause of so much concern to her mother and self-appointed guardian. It had never once occurred to her innocent mind that her intercourse with the bright young Frenchman was even the slightest element of danger to herself or any one else concerned. Yet her pleasure in his society was of a most genuine nature.

To-night there had not been much study, for Armida was in too gay a

mood, and she entertained Eugene in much the same manner as if he were a high-bred lover who had never known what it was to wear an apron or roll a barrel of sugar. The young grocer was in an ecstasy of delight and almost revelled in the mild enjoyment of the hour. Armida's influence had awakened bright aspirations in his heart; new feelings had found birth in that susceptible organ and he lived but to leave the store each evening and bask in the bright sunshine of his idol's presence. He did not love Armida—he worshipped her with the same adulation which a slave might render a princess. They were familiar to a degree with each other, and yet were very far apart. Nevertheless they neither of them ever once recognized the dangerous character of the ground on which they stood. An interested observer would have prophesied that something must soon happen which would expose to their view the dangerous shoals upon which they were fast drifting. And so it was. This very night Armida was to change the whole current of Eugene's thoughts, and she did it in a song—one (as she admitted to Eugene) that she had written herself and had asked an old German professor to put the music for her. Had she merely sung it and never drawn his attention to it in so marked a manner he might have listened to the sweet tones without ever noticing the words, but as he sat and listened to her and noticed the quiet earnestness with which she wrought out the full meaning of each line, his heart beat rapidly and loud. The words were simple but they were set to most effective music, both words and music being interpreted to their fullest extent by Armida's expressive singing:

When my ship comes in—when my ship comes  
I shall I hear sweet strains of music thro' the  
busy city's din,  
Heralding my hero lover, whom I've pictured in  
my dreams.  
Till his face, so fair and handsome, a reality  
now seems?

When my ship comes in—will he stoop on bend-  
ing knee  
And tell of weary days and hours in which he  
longed for me?  
And as he slowly rises will he fill my heart with  
Will he fold me closely to him and our lips  
meet with a kiss?

When my ship comes in—will it bring me jew-  
els rare  
To clasp around my neck and arms, to twine  
within my hair?  
Will it bring me silks and satins and costly  
lace, and shoes  
Will it bring me richest perfumes and coffers  
filled with gold?

When my ship comes in—will it empty be for  
me?  
Though all the gems of Orient, all the jewels  
of the sea,  
All the treasures of the Indies, its rich car-  
pets, its  
If any of these comes not then, to cheer my  
waiting eyes.

When my ship comes in—I care not if it be  
The tiniest of craft that ever sailed upon the  
sea,  
If it but brings me faithfully here, though no wealth  
of gold be there.  
I will welcome him so gladly, and my true heart  
Forever and forever—when my ship comes in.

She sang the song right through and  
as the last vibrating sounds of the accom-  
paniment died away she turned  
around on her stool as though to mark  
the effect on her listener. There he sat  
entranced and spoke not a word.

"Have you nothing to say about my  
song, Mr. Bregy?" she asked.

"It is very beautiful," was all he said.  
"Now, do not suppose that I am flatter-  
ing you, for compliments, for nothing were  
farther from my thoughts. But I do  
like people to say something, even if it  
is disagreeable, when I sing a song, and  
especially one of my own composing,"  
she said in a half joking manner. But  
the young man before her was in no  
joking mood. "Could it be," he thought,  
in a moment of almost ecstasy, "that  
he meant those words for me?" And  
as he pondered he said to himself:  
"Some day I will ask her."

Just at this moment Mr. Wilcox  
looked over to Mrs. Delaro and said:  
"Is that gentleman going to  
stay here all night?"

"They certainly must be too busily  
engaged to notice the time," was the  
reply, "but I will remind Armida, by  
walking into the parlor, that I am pre-  
paring to retire," and with these words  
she rose to put her words into effect.

When Mrs. Delaro walked into the  
parlor she spoke very kindly to Eugene  
and no one could have told that she  
cherished any feelings of suspicion  
towards him. They conversed together  
for some moments, during which Mrs.  
Delaro made kindly inquiries regarding  
Mrs. Bregy. This seemed to remind  
Eugene of a duty he had to perform  
and he commenced it by asking Mrs.  
Delaro if she could give him Mr.  
Blodger's address, as he and his  
mother wished to see him on some  
business matters. As they had never  
seen Mr. Blodger except at their store  
they had never known his address.  
Mrs. Delaro told Eugene where he  
could find Mr. Blodger most of the  
time, and Eugene in confidence said  
that Mr. Blodger had offered to rent  
him a larger and more convenient store  
a little farther down-town, and it was  
on that account he wished to see him.

As Eugene finally rose to go Mr.  
Wilcox joined the party and Mrs.  
Delaro observed that he would probably  
willingly carry a message to Mr.  
Blodger from Eugene as he saw that  
gentleman down town nearly every  
morning. But Eugene was not dis-  
posed to intrust Mr. Wilcox with his  
business, as he said: "Oh, it does not  
matter," and then bid them all good  
night.

Before retiring Armida and her  
mother sat for a long time talking in  
the firelight. "Why, mamma, how  
serious you are becoming," said Armida.  
"This is a serious matter," said her  
mother. "You know not what hope  
and aspirations you may have already  
engendered in that young man's heart,  
nor into what foolish delusions you  
may lead him."

"I had never thought of it in that  
light, mamma, dear," was the reply.  
"But it demands your thought, my  
child."

"And must I tell him not to come  
again?"

"Well, no, not quite that, but do not  
invite him quite so often," said the

sweet-tempered widow, as she kissed  
the one treasure of her widowhood.

CHAPTER XIV.  
"Good afternoon, Mrs. Bregy," said  
Mr. Blodger, as he entered the store on  
the following afternoon. He had come  
up to Harlem to inspect some buildings  
which he was having erected, and  
thought he would call on his pros-  
pective tenant on the way home. "How  
are you, and how is the grocery busi-  
ness?"

"Well, my health is good, and busi-  
ness is as good as usual," was the ready  
response.

"And where is your son to-day?"

"He has just gone to put the horse  
in the stable and will be back in a few  
moments."

Upon hearing this reply Mr. Blodger  
seated himself on an upturned cracker  
barrel and resumed: "Mrs. Bregy, that  
son of yours is a very industrious  
young man and is sure to prosper."

"Yes, he works very hard," asserted  
the lady, "but it is uphill work and  
there is a great deal to contend with in  
running a store."

"I don't doubt it, for I have had my  
own experience and know what it is:  
still perseverance will overcome every  
thing, and many a hindrance have I  
found in my way," said Mr. Blodger.

"Did I understand you to say that  
you were once in the soap business?"  
asked Mrs. Bregy.

"Yes, ma'am, until recent years I  
was engaged in the manufacture of that  
very useful and necessary commodity."

"AND WHERE IS YOUR SON TO-DAY?"

Here he picked up a sample from a box  
at his side, sniffed it, examined it  
with a critical eye, and continued: "But  
I am no longer identified with that  
business, although the name of Blodger  
will live as long as there is nothing in-  
vented to supersede the use of soap."

"Then soap has made you the wealthy  
man you are to-day?" said Mrs. Bregy.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the talkative  
old fellow. "I owe a good deal to soap. I  
am tolerably well off, and it is a great  
deal of satisfaction to know that while  
I have been accumulating a fair compe-  
tence I have at the same time been  
helping to make the world a good deal  
cleaner. And, by the way, I attribute  
not a little of my success to my knowl-  
edge of the best methods of bringing

my soap to the notice of the public and  
singing its praises in verse. Allow me,"  
said Blodger, producing what  
looked amazingly like a scrap-book from  
the recesses of his coat pocket, "to read  
to you what was conceived by all to be  
my best effort in that line. A genuine  
(he was lapsing into soap once more)  
literary production, one which set the  
people of the United States thinking  
and wondering when it came on the  
morning when it appeared, at the foot  
of an elegant cut of a wash-bowl, in the  
newspapers from Maine to Cali-  
fornia. Here it is:

"A knotty problem in this world  
With which we have to cope,  
Is how to keep our faces clean  
Is Blodger's outfit as soap."

St. Paul of old said: "Great are faith  
And charity and hope."  
But greater far than these, my friends  
Is Blodger's outfit as soap."

"The need to wash the trotters of  
His holiness the Pope,  
And little children slack their thirst  
With suds from Blodger's soap."

None genuine without these verses on the  
wrapper, over the signature of  
Stephen Blodger. For sale by all Gro-  
cers and Druggists throughout the  
country."

Mr. Blodger looked round with an air  
of pride as he finished reading, and  
graciously accepted the commendations  
which his verses drew forth from Mrs.  
Bregy.

Before he could continue the conver-  
sation, however, some customers came  
in and his listener had to wait on them.  
No sooner was the store clear again  
than the latter carried on in the door-  
way and, in the manner peculiar to New  
York postmen, who are always in such  
a hurry, he slipped a letter into the  
store from between his fingers and did  
not even wait to see it drop in the pan  
underneath the molasses barrel.

"That's a gentlemanly way of hand-  
ling a letter," said Mr. Blodger, while  
Mrs. Bregy picked it up and wiped it.  
"I guess the poor fellows are on their  
feet so long and have so far to walk that  
they won't step a yard farther than they  
can possibly help," said Mrs. Bregy,  
sympathetically.

Then she tore open the end of the en-  
velope and drew out the letter which  
she commenced to read.

"Whatever can this mean? It is from  
a lawyer's office." Then she commenced  
over again and read aloud:

"Dear Madam—  
If you will please call at our office  
at your earliest convenience, you will  
hear of something to your advantage.  
Yours very truly,  
BROUSE & TANNER."

"Brouse & Tanner?" said Mr. Blodger.  
"Why, they are my lawyers in Tem-  
ple Court; whatever can they want with  
you?"

"That is something I can not even  
guess at," exclaimed the excited woman.  
"It may be they can tell me where  
my dear husband is."

"Oh, no, it can't be that. They would  
have nothing to do with any thing that  
concerned your husband; that could not  
possibly be," said Mr. Blodger. Just then  
Eugene walked in, and after shaking  
hands heartily with Mr. Blodger he  
received the letter which his mother

handed to him, and as he read it won-  
dered what it could mean. He gave his  
wonderment expression, and asked as  
much. Neither could answer him, so  
it remained for him to make the sug-  
gestion that as it was only just turned  
two o'clock his mother might as well go  
down-town to Brouse & Tanner's office  
and find out all about it.

"Certainly," said Mr. Blodger, "and I'll  
go along. You can't be too careful with  
the lawyer fellows."

It did not take long for Mrs. Bregy to  
prepare herself, and very soon the peo-  
ple of the neighborhood poked their  
heads out of the window to see that  
"stuck up" woman from the grocery  
walk down the street to the elevated  
railroad with the retired soap manu-  
facturer.

Eugene was on the tip-toe of expec-  
tation all the time his mother was  
away and felt greatly relieved when he  
saw her return. "Good news, my boy,"  
she said before taking off any of her ap-  
parel. "My Uncle Du Bois, who lived  
at Amiens has left me a lot of property  
worth nearly five hundred thousand  
francs. He died nearly a year ago and  
they have been trying to find me ever  
since. But some of my relations over  
there are trying to swindle me out of it.  
They say my uncle was a miser, and  
that he left his will and did not know what he  
was doing."

"What did the lawyers have to say  
about it any way?" asked Eugene.

"They say there will be some little  
trouble getting the matter settled, but  
they do not doubt that I shall get the  
property eventually. Still, it is a little  
trick of a matter of money to go over there  
and fight my greedy relatives, and I  
don't know where the money would  
come from if it was not that Mr.  
Blodger insists on advancing it at six  
per cent. interest, until the affair is  
settled and we can pay it back."

"And have you accepted?" asked  
Eugene.

"Certainly not. I told Mr. Blodger I  
should have to consult with you first,"  
answered his mother.

"Well, I suppose we may have to ac-  
cept somebody's assistance before it is  
all over, for if there is law to be paid  
for, it will take a great deal of money  
to do it. Then, too, if we are to go to  
France the grocery will have to be  
sold," said Eugene.

"Yes, that is pretty certain, for we  
can not take it with us, and it will not  
take care of itself here. But before we  
take any steps at all in any direction,  
we must understand from those lawyers  
exactly how the matter stands and what  
the exact chances are for my getting  
the hold of the property," was his mother's  
guarded reply. Secretly Eugene re-  
joiced at the prospect of going abroad,  
and when his thought of the wealth  
which might possibly come to them it  
stuck him that after all he might be in  
a position to make love to Armida De-  
laro. Yet he kept his own counsel and  
did not show any extraordinary eager-  
ness to press after the wealth. Even  
before his mother he restrained him-  
self. They talked over the matter to-  
gether that night and Mrs. Bregy told  
her son a great deal more than he had  
ever known before regarding her early  
history and the noble race of which she  
was a descendant. She also told him much  
about her early life in New York when  
she spent her honeymoon in the Quar-  
ter Francs. Eugene was very much  
interested and he found much informa-  
tion from his mother which was entirely new  
to him.

This conversation of course brought  
back the occurrences of the past few  
months to her mind more vividly and  
she could hardly believe that so short a  
time since she was dragged down al-  
most to the gutters of the twin cities.  
Those thoughts of the past, however,  
never had but one marked result, nam-  
ely the renewal of her love for her hus-  
band from whom she had been sepa-  
rated for so many years. Her whole



"GOOD NEWS, MY SON," SHE SAID.

soul had gone out for him in those  
early days and had possessed her true  
love in its purest state, and to-day he  
had appeared before her in rags and  
squalor or the habitations of a prince.  
Her feelings toward him would have re-  
mained unchanged. Had he met her gaze  
between the prison bars still he would  
have been the same to her. Only one  
man had lived in this world for Emille  
du Bois and that was Alphonse Bregy,  
and until she knew the true cause of  
his desertion of her, if such it was, she  
would hold him just as dear.

The new developments in their excit-  
ing history were the cause of much in-  
teresting conversation between mother  
and son for a good many days. The  
lawyers called to France and before an-  
other week passed their agents there  
had given them full particulars and it  
was definitely decided that some time  
during the coming spring Mrs. Bregy  
and Eugene should start for Amiens.

As soon as this was settled upon,  
Eugene thought he might venture to  
say something to Armida about it.  
She in turn informed her mother and  
the consequence was that the Bregys  
were often the subject of conversation  
with Mrs. Wilcox rather doubted at first, but  
he afterwards said: "The lawyers must  
know something about it, for they are  
trustworthy men, and would not send  
the woman off on a wild goose chase. I  
suppose this young grocer will be a  
very big man now and may take it into  
his head to want to marry Armida." He  
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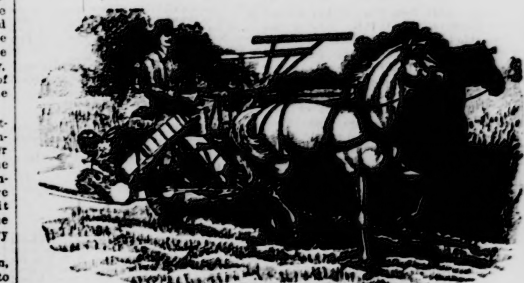
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## LOCAL NEWS

Mayor Kelly was a visitor at the provincial capital last Thursday.

We regret to learn that the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hobbs is dangerously ill.

Mr. Ben Hopkins left on Monday morning on another cattle purchasing trip.

Mr. Richard Powell left on Friday last for Ontario to purchase a carload of horses.

Assistant General Manager Graham of the N. P. left for the south in his private car No. 99 on Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Waram of Souris paid Brandon a visit one day last week. Port's many friends were glad to see him look so well.

Mr. Beecham Trotter, of the firm of Trotter & Trotter, left for Toronto on Monday morning to purchase another lot of horses.

Mr. S. L. Head of Rapid City was in town last Friday to look after a carload of Hereford and Polled Angus bulls that he had purchased.

Some mischievous individual broke one of the large panes of glass in Mr. Donaldson's shop window on last Thursday night.

Mr. William Creighton has sold his farm in Daly at a good round figure and has moved into the city where he intends to reside in future.

The Brandon Fire Department desire to thank J. A. Christie, Esq., for his gift of \$5 and appreciation of their services. THOS. SHARP, Sec.-Treas.

Head & Bell, cattle and horse dealers have dissolved partnership. Mr. Head has taken in Robt. Madden as partner. Mr. Bell will continue in the cattle business.

Mr. Cable of Rapid City has had three more horses added to his string, two trotters and one runner. All three give promise of good performance, and are being trained on the track here.

Mr. Joseph Donaldson is entitled to the credit of having for sale in his butcher shop on Howard, the first spring lamb of the season. The carcass was all disposed of before being butchered.

An advertiser in Winnipeg heads his announcement "Are there any gentlemen in Winnipeg?" Well, that is a conundrum, since Joseph Macdonald resigned the Attorney-Generalship, and left the city.

The work on the C.P.R. garden is being pushed along at a rapid rate. The putting out of a large number of evergreen and deciduous trees has made a wonderful improvement in the appearance of the once barren common.

Conductor William Chester has taken charge of one of the passenger trains between here and Winnipeg in the absence of Mr. Joseph Bertrand who is away attending the International Convention of Railway Conductors.

Mr. David Bennett returned on Friday night from a two week's visit to Winnipeg, where he had gone in hopes of securing his health. He says he is much improved by his visit to the metropolis.

Mr. J. A. Grundy & Co. have rented the third of Dr. Fleming's stores and will put into it a large assortment of musical instruments. Mr. Bennett, formerly in the employ of Mr. Grundy, has come back to town and will again work for the firm.

Free Press: It is the intention to have the insane patients removed from the home for incurables at Portage la Prairie to the Brandon reformatory, which is being prepared to receive them. The change will be made as soon as possible.

Massachusetts Courier: "The baseball club has accepted an invitation to Virden on the 27th inst., to play in the baseball tournament that has been arranged by the Virden club. Teams from Griswold, Oak Lake and Elkhorn will take part."

A car of earthenware made at Red Wing, Minn., arrived in the city on Saturday evening, and every grocery store in town is now well supplied with a large stock of china, butter-cups, etc., but side points had better make a note of this.

The following from the Qu'Appelle Progress goes far to show that they must have some pretty good horse women in the Territories: "Miss McIntosh rode her pony from Touchwood to Qu'Appelle, a distance of 80 miles in 14 hours, against a stiff head wind."

Mr. Thos. Harkness having disposed of his car of stallions in British Columbia invested some of his spare cash in a carload of western mares and colts with which he arrived in the city on Monday morning. Those wanting a nice servicable broncho had better take a look at his band.

Mr. John A. Montgomery has made a new departure in his grocery business. He has fitted up a large room over his store as an ice-cream parlor. He says that when the weather gets warmer he will serve up the delicacy in the most approved style. Ye boys who want to please your best girls make a note of this and don't dodge over on the other side-walk when strolling on 9th St.

Mr. Edward Chapman and family had a pretty narrow escape during the thunder storm of last Thursday evening. The house, which is situated near the Little Saskatchewan about ten miles from the city, was struck by the electric fluid. The chimney and stove pipes were all knocked to pieces. Mr. Chapman had his pipe knocked out of his mouth while Mrs. Chapman and her daughter Nellie were stammered for some space of time. The youngest child had a mark on its arm where the fluid had evidently struck it. It was a close call for the whole household.

J. T. Somerville & Co., of "Beaver Hall" have put up two very fancy signs, the work of Mr. Taos. Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Mackenzie mourn the death of their youngest boy, Austin. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Durst have the sympathy of the whole community in their sad affliction in the death of their only child about two years of age.

Mr. Baker, the immigration agent, informs us that there are quite a number of new arrivals at the sheds who are seeking work. Parties in want of farm help should make an early call.

The occupants of rooms and offices in the Fleming block have put up on each side of the main entrance of the building boards on which their "shingles" in gold and black are conspicuously displayed.

Mr. John Howey, who lately took three cars of live pigs to the Pacific coast, returned on Saturday morning. "Jack" has got so used to travelling the building trip like what he has taken only seems to do him good.

Mr. W. A. Macdonald has finally decided to build a brick block this season on his property on Rosser Ave., at least one is led to believe so as the tenants of the present houses on the lots have received notice to find other premises.

Friday evening's No. 1, C. P. R. express was several hours late and on its arrival it was found to be a very heavy one indeed. Quite a number of new comers from Ontario stopped off here, some of them seeking work while others were looking for land.

A brother of Mr. Wm. English, one of the old settlers of River Bank, near Wawanesa, drove over last week from Kansas with a large outfit with the intention of settling in Manitoba. He was in the city last Saturday perfecting arrangements for the purchase of a half section of land.

Roadmaster Green of the C. P. R. put on a gravel train on Tuesday morning for the purpose of ballasting the line in his division. There were upwards of forty men employed in the work. Parties who have been complaining of lack of work need do so no longer.

We are given to understand that Mr. Rutherford Senr., of the Oak River district, has sold his farm, consisting of four hundred and eighty acres, at and for the sum of \$7,000. Mr. Rutherford was one of the first settlers of the north-western part of Daly and his farm was one of the best in it.

Mr. C. C. Helliwell, accompanied by Mr. Roberts and another friend, arrived on the east-bound train on Monday morning from a few days' shoot in the west. "Tip," as his intimates call him, has again proved his superiority as a follower of Nimrod, he and his companions having shot no less than 60 waxies during their few days' absence.

Smokers visiting Mr. Hanbury's planing mill are now confronted with signs on different parts of the buildings warning them of the pains and penalties awaiting those who do not extinguish their cigars and pipes before coming on the premises. A look at John Clarke's, the foreman, big frame and fierce countenance ought to be sufficient evidence that mischief is intended to non-conformers of the rules.

Mr. Frank Stiver, formerly of this city, returned from a six weeks' trip to Calgary and other western points on Saturday last. Mr. Stiver like many other old Brandonites thinks that our little city is just away ahead of most places in the west and recommends parties doing fairly well here they had better stop where they are.

H. C. Farmer, agent for F. A. Fairchild & Co., arrived in the city on Saturday evening after an absence of two weeks in Southern Manitoba. He reports having done a good business as farmers are more hopeful of the future than he has ever seen them before. Mr. Farmer has already taken orders for upward of a dozen threshing machines.

Quite a number of the friends of Mr. F. C. Peterson, the C. P. R. city ticket agent, telegraph, telephone and express manager, etc., assembled at the station on Sunday evening to wish him and Mrs. Peterson bon voyage. They were bound for a holiday trip to the Pacific slope, and a few men in the city have stuck closer to business during past twelve months than Frank all wish that he may have a good time during his outing.

The shrill early whistle followed by the glowing sun of circular saws going through large timber, which early risers heard on Monday, conveyed the intelligence that Mr. John A. Christie's sawmill had started up for the season. His mill and yards present a busy appearance these days. The drive of logs from the Little Saskatchewan have entered the sawmill and may be expected to arrive here in the course of a few days.

On Saturday last there passed away, at the house of his son-in-law Mr. Priestly—one of the first settlers on the site of the present city of Brandon. We refer to a holiday Arthur, who in 1881 homesteaded the farm now occupied by Mr. Taylor across 1st St. bridge as a dairy farm. Mr. Arthur had reached the advanced age of 80 years and five months. The funeral which took place on Monday afternoon was largely attended by the friends and acquaintances of the deceased.

What has become of our senior lacrosse team, is often asked us as we take our daily rounds. The juniors and kids are practicing for all they are worth but the absence of the seniors has caused considerable disappointment. Some of the city go so far as to say that lacrosse is bound to take the lead here this summer. For our own part we think not and believe that it only requires a few evenings sharp practice with the sticks to awaken the enthusiasm of the old members of the seniors. Waken up boys or you will be caught napping by a challenge from some outside team.

Mr. James Rogerson, of Rapid City, was in the city on Tuesday.

Mr. Sandison the big farmer of Elton took a run down to Winnipeg last Thursday.

Mr. R. I. Crisp of Souris spent a few days in Winnipeg during the latter part of last week.

Mr. J. M. Gray, for many years connected with the G.T.R., near Gannanogue, Ont., arrived in the city on Friday evening.

Mr. Andrew Chester, freight conductor on the C.P.R., resumed work last week after being laid up for a month with a hurt knee.

Mr. Ben Hopkins returned to the city on Friday evening's train, he having disposed of his carload of fat cattle at Sudbury, Ont.

Mr. B. Parks the 10th St. butcher, killed a very fine steer last week. The animal dressed within a few pounds of 11,000. He was purchased from Mr. J. D. Taylor of this city.

Messrs Dr. Brett and Mr. Betts passed through the city on last Friday, en route from Regina to Ottawa to interview members of the government in connection with Northwest Legislature matters.

Free Press—Reports have been received from several outside constituencies that the government candidates are busily engaged in the work of canvassing, which is another indication that a general election is not improbable.

A boy named McInnes, son of Mr. McInnes one of the well known C.P.R. engineers and resident in Winnipeg, lost two of the fingers of his left hand on Thursday last by the accidental discharge of a gun which was loaded with stones.

The School Board have once more selected a site for a central school. This time it is situated between 7th and 8th Streets immediately south of Dr. Fleming's residence. There are two houses on the block viz., McVicar's and Mr. Atkinson's. These the Board do not intend purchasing as they consider that the twenty six vacant lots will be sufficient. A By-law for the necessary funds will be submitted to the rate-payers in the course of a few weeks.

The races here on the 25th inst. are already creating quite a stir amongst horsemen. There are quite a number of strange horses and their trainers here already and there are many hints that more are coming. One not in the ring can get but little information regarding the former performances of some of those here now and trainers are very reticent to those they have in charge. Those visiting the track during their spare hours can see some good time making.

Mr. Lewis Arnett, one of Brandon's well-known citizens and real estate owners, died from pneumonia at the Winnipeg general hospital. Mr. Arnett came to the province in 1878 and opened a dry goods house in the city which was conducted for many years. Prior to his coming to the province he had carried on the mercantile business in both Petrolia and Kewood, Ont. Since his arrival in this city he has invested considerable money in erecting new buildings for renting purposes. Mrs. Arnett and family have the sympathy of the citizens in her deep affliction.

An act of vandalism was performed in the city on last Saturday night, that was not only a disgrace to the perpetrators but also a blot on the fair name of our city. It is to be hoped the perpetrators of the act will be found out, and that when found that they will be visited with the utmost rigor of the law. We refer to the pulling up of a very fine shade tree in front of Mr. Whitelaw's residence on 12th St. The tree was of large size having been set out some six years ago by the Rev. Mr. Douglass at the Manse. The miscreants had done the deed through sheer wantonness as the tree was found on Sunday morning lying within twelve feet of its former position.

While "Andy," a young son of Mr. William Wilson, was driving a horse and rig on Monday afternoon the animal ran away. The boy had presence of mind enough to pull the horse to one side and head it straight for the dead brick wall of Mr. Whitelaw's store. The sudden pull up threw the boy out. He was somewhat injured but not seriously. At the same time Mr. Huston's transfer wagon was coming down 8th St., the driver seeing the other running towards him struck his horse a severe cut with the whip which made the animal give such a sudden jump that he pulled the driver out of the shafts. But for the luck of young Wilson some more serious accidents might have occurred.

Moose Jaw Times: "Professor Tyndal performed what is perhaps one of the most wonderful feats ever performed by any mind reader. A committee was hastily formed at the Royal hotel, and Messrs. Aldwell, Wrigley and Turnock were dispatched to find any name inserted in any of the hotel registers in the town of Calgary. The name of D. D. Mann, written in the middle of the Alberta register, was chosen. The professor at once started for the Alberta, and without any hesitation seized the register, turned to the page and quickly wrote the name of D. D. Mann on a piece of paper. The professor left Calgary Wednesday morning for Banff, having made a host of friends in Calgary, who wish him every success."

Mr. John Wallace, of 11th St., met with quite a serious accident on Saturday evening. While driving a spirited horse it became unmanageable and came tearing down the lane to the east of the new post office. On reaching Rosser Ave., Mr. Wallace was thrown out and received a nasty cut and some bruises about the head. The horse tried to turn west up Rosser but the off wheel of the rig struck the side walk in front of Fraser & Co.'s store and upset. The animal then commenced bucking and kicking and by its plunges got the trap to rights again and then started at a break-neck pace for the west. At 18th St. it got clear of the rig, which was considerably damaged, and then continued its way up the Kemnay trail. When recovered it was found not to be much injured.

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